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## EVENT CONTROL DEVICE AND DIGITAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

### Cross Reference to Related Applications

The entire disclosure of the Japanese patent application No. Hei 11-106739,  
5 filed on April 14, 1999, including its specification, claims, drawings, and  
abstract is incorporated herein by reference.

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### Field of the Invention

This invention relates to event control, and more specifically to automated  
10 delivery of events.

### Background of the Invention

In a window system for personal computers or the like, when a plural  
number of windows are running, to which of the windows the inputs entered  
15 through a mouse or a keyboard (event signals, or events) should be given must  
be determined. Conventionally, an operating system controls to give events to  
windows that are chosen and activated by an operator.

However, the operation with such a method is cumbersome because the  
20 operator must choose and activate an intended window or windows by the  
use of the mouse, etc.

To solve the above problem, JP-A-Hei 5-11962 proposes to keep a list of  
windows that can be activated, so that windows are switched sequentially by  
25 pressing a specific key. This enables the user to switch windows simply by  
pressing the specific key. This has put to practical use a simpler method of  
switching windows than choosing windows by the use of a mouse.